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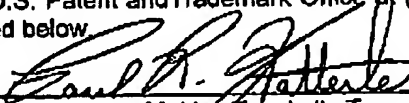
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and the accompanying request for continued examination (RCE) are being filed in response to the final Office action dated March 31, 2005. The three month shortened statutory period for responding to the final Office action expired on June 30, 2005. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests and petitions that the period for response be extended for one month to August 1, 2005 since July 30 and July 31 are weekend days. Please charge the \$120 fee for this one-month extension of time and the RCE fee of \$790.00 to our Deposit Account No. 050877.

- **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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